(*h*) 1110 35
1111 42
1112 54
1113 43
1114 47

(*i*) No information.

(*j*) Yes.

(*k*) Yes.

LEAKAGE OF QUESTION PAPERS—INQUIRY REGARDING

168. Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* Will the Government be pleased to state whether any action has been taken in the matter of the leaking out of examination papers referred to in question No. 289 during the Budget Session?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction):* A thorough enquiry was made into the matter, but the responsibility for the leakage could not be definitely fixed on any particular person and so no further action could be taken beyond taking steps to prevent a recurrence of such mishaps in future.

AIR-RAID PRECAUTIONS

169. Mr. M. K. Devassy *(Adur):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the Government has taken any steps by way of air-raid precautions in view of the break-out of the war; and if so;

(*b*) the localities where such precautions are taken; and

(*c*) the nature and extent of the precautionary measures?

Rao Bahadur M. Narayana Menon *(Commissioner of Police):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Ernakulam and Mattancheri.

(*c*) Copy of the instructions issued in the matter is placed on the table. Wide publicity was given to these instructions *(Appendix V)*.

POST-MORTEM EXAMINATION OF A DEAD BODY FROM PARLAM VILLAGE

170. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappa'li):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the dead body of a person known as Muduvangathil Ayyappakutty Raman was found

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APPENDIX IV

(Please see answer to question No. 167)

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

Subject—Untrained hands—Appointment of

Read (1) Letter, dated 26th August 1938, C. 199/14 from the Inspector, Southern Division, and

(2) Letter, dated 26th August 1938, D. 130/14 from the Inspectress.

Order dated 4th January, 1939 D. Dis. 723/14.

In modification of the rulings issued on the subject from time to time it is hereby ordered that in the matter of appointments in schools under private management, preference should always be given to thrown-out hands even if they are untrained, and that, other things being equal, preference should generally be given to trained hands over raw undergraduates, whether the class to which the appointment is made, is aided or unaided.

The Inspecting Officers are requested to inform the Managers of schools under them accordingly.

(Sd.) *Director*

To

The Inspecting Officers,
Copy to Deputy Inspecting Officers.

APPENDIX V

(Please see answer the question No. 169)

Port of Cochin

Rules to be observed in case of hostile attack

Any hostile action against the Port of Cochin will probably take the form of.—

(1) *Air Attack.*—Bombing and Machine gunning.
(*a*) direct from sea (*b*) from backwaters north or south.

(2) *Long Range Bombardment* from the sea.

(3) Small Landing Parties "operating" in the harbour from shallow draught motor boats or from commandeered local boats.

By Day

Alarm Signal.—Hooters and Sirens.

This will be started by the Port War Signal Station and taken up by the Tug "Cochin", Tata's Works and ships in the Harbour.

Action on hearing Alarm.—Streets will be cleared and population will go into houses or stay in them.

By Night

Alarm Signal.—On receipt of Phone message from Fortress Head Quarters all power houses in British Cochin and Cochin State, including Willingdon Island will immediately cut off current. Rockets will also be fired from the Administrative Office.

On seeing the rockets all sirens and hooters will be sounded.

Action.—Douse Remaining lights and remain indoors.

Hospitals to have supplementary lighting immediately available.

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